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1. The Air France delivery flight of a new Super Constellation 1049 was very successful and the ship landed at Le Bourget. After unloading the passengers it was immediately closed by customs and the ship placed on exhibit at the International Paris Air Show for that day. The day, Sunday, 28 Jun 53, was the special day for exhibit of commercial aircraft. The display was interesting and included all types of aircraft now in general commercial service.
2. A reorganization of Air France's Technical Administration is still 1 Jul 53 in the process of being evaluated. The full extent of this organizational change is not known but its primary purpose is to give a more efficient organization for handling the flux of newly procured aircraft.
3. It is anticipated that practically all Air France operation of DC-4s, Viscounts and Comets will be at Le Bourget until such time as the extensions are made to the Orly airport runways. This may be a rather long range plan as no particular construction work is noticeable on progress of lengthening the runways at Orly. The plans for Orly airport development are quite extensive and undoubtedly will take several years for completion.

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